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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

BRIAN K. COURTNEY

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SYSTEM FOR VASCULAR
PROCEDURES

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AMENDMENT WITH RCE

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 9, 2005, and concurrent with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.